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SUBJECT: TURKISH MEDIA COVERAGE OF SECRETARY'S VISIT TOTURKEY

REPORTING OF SECSTATE'S ANKARA VISIT IN MAJOR TURKISH
MEDIA TODAY (JAN. 19TH), INTERWOVEN WITH REPORTS ABOUT
VISIT OF TURKISH CYPRIOT LEADER, RAUF DENKTAS.

WHILE MEDIA ATTEMPT FOLLOW GOT AND DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN'S
GUIDANCE THAT PURPOSE SECSTATE'S VISIT TO DISCUSS
GLOBAL AND BILATERAL ISSUES, CYPRUS STORY INJECTED
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TO POINT OF DOMINATING REPORTING.

IN REPLY TO QUESTION, DURING BRIEF TV-RADIO INTERVIEW,
DENKTAS DISCLAIMED ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN HIS, AND
SECSTATE'S VISIT TO ANKARA. MEANWHILE, HOWEVER, ALL
MEDIA GAVE EXTENSIVE COVERAGE TO ECEVIT-DENKTAS
MEETING DURING WHICH, MEDIA REPORTS, DENKTAS'

PROPOSALS FOR SOLUTION TO CYPRUS ISSUE WERE DISCUSSED.

TURKEY'S MOST RESPECTED DAILY, LIBERAL MILLIYET, CARRIES REPORT FROM ITS WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT ATTRIBUTING TO "AUTHORITATIVE OFFICIAL SOURCE" STATEMENT, "CARTER ADMINISTRATION FINDS U.S.-TURKISH DCA POSITIVE, BUT DOES NOT PERMIT CONGRESS TO APPROVE IT. IT WAITS FOR TURKEY TO MAKE SOME PROGRESS FOR PEACE ON CYPRUS. THUS, IT IS INEVITABLE THAT WHILE THE DCA IS DISCUSSED, THE CYPRUS ISSUE WILL ENTER INTO IT."

ONLY EDITORIAL OPINION TODAY COMES FROM MILLIYET'S MANAGING EDITOR WHO BELIEVES PURPOSE OF ECEVIT'S INVITATION TO VANCE WAS NOT TO SOLICIT U.S. PARTICIPATION (IN NEGOTIATING PROCESS) BUT ONLY REPEAT ONLY TO INFORM U.S. AND SHOW TURKEY'S WILLINGNESS TO FIND SOLUTIONS TO CYPRUS PROBLEM. CONCLUDES EDITORIALIST, "DEADLOCK ON CYPRUS PLAYED MAJOR ROLE IN DETERIORATION OF (U.S.-TURKISH) RELATIONS. NEW TURKISH GOVERNMENT'S PROOF OF ITS INTENTIONS NOT TO PERPETUATE DEADLOCK...WILL CERTAINLY YIELD GOOD RESULTS."
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